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TAGS: BC, LT, WZ, CG, PFOR, ACOM

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR AUTOMATIC PILOT FOR MOBUTO AIRCRAFT

REF: KINSHASA 8116

- 1. CHIEF OF ZAIRE SECRET SERVICE, MR. SETI, REQUESTED MEETING WITH EMBOFF. HE EXPLAINED THAT THE "ELEVATOR AUTOMATIC PILOT" BELONGING TO PRESIDENT MOBUTO'S C-130 AIRCRAFT WAS NOT FUNCTIONING. HE REQUESTED THAT THE US, OM AN URGENT BASIS, PROCURE A REPLACEMENT UNIT SO THAT MOBUTO COULD CONTINUE HIS TOUR TO SWAZILAND AND LESOTHO. HE PLANS TO DEPART 1300 HOURS OCTOBER 1ST. SETI SAID THAT THE ZAIROIS HAVE A MECHANIC IN GABORONE WHO COULD INSTALL THE REPLACEMENT. HE THOUGHT THAT THE USG COULD PROBABLY OBTAIN THE REPLACEMENT PART IN SOUTH AFRICA.
- 2. EMBOFF REPLIED THAT HE WOULD INQUIRE INTO THE POSSIBILITY OF OBTAINING THE REPLACEMENT IN TIME AND KEEP MR. SETI INFORMED OF DEVELOPMENTS.
- 3. REQUEST PRETORIA CONSIDER FEASIBILITY OF OBTAINING LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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REPLACEMENT AND SHIPPING IT TO GABORONE IN TIME FOR MOBUTO'S

DEPARTURE AND ADVISE EMBASSY GABORONE ASAP.

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